

Philippines General Knowledge Quiz

Geography & History · Answer Key · 22 Questions

1. What is the official capital city of the Philippines?

- A) Quezon City
- B) Manila**
- C) Cebu City
- D) Davao City

2. What is the official currency of the Philippines?

- A) Dollar
- B) Yen
- C) Philippine Peso**
- D) Ringgit

3. Which of the three main island groups is the largest in terms of land area?

- A) Luzon**
- B) Visayas
- C) Mindanao
- D) Palawan

4. Who is recognized as the national hero of the Philippines?

- A) Andres Bonifacio
- B) José Rizal**
- C) Emilio Aguinaldo
- D) Apolinario Mabini

5. What is the highest mountain peak in the Philippines?

- A) Mount Pinatubo
- B) Mount Pulag
- C) Mount Mayon
- D) Mount Apo**

6. Which official language of the Philippines is largely based on Tagalog?

- A) Cebuano
- B) Ilocano
- C) Filipino**
- D) Hiligaynon

7. Which city is considered the oldest city in the Philippines?

- A) Manila
- B) Cebu City**
- C) Vigan
- D) Zamboanga

8. What famous geological formation in Bohol consists of over 1,000 brown-colored hills?

- A) Chocolate Hills**
- B) Hundred Islands
- C) Mayon Volcano
- D) Banaue Terraces

9. What historic event is celebrated every year in the Philippines on June 12?

- A) Rizal Day
- B) Independence Day**
- C) Heroes Day
- D) People Power Day

10. Which Portuguese explorer led the Spanish expedition that arrived in the Philippines in 1521?

- A) Ruy López de Villalobos
- B) Miguel López de Legazpi
- C) Ferdinand Magellan**
- D) Christopher Columbus

11. What is the national flower of the Philippines?

- A) Gumamela
- B) Sampaguita**
- C) Orchid
- D) Sunflower

12. What is the national bird of the Philippines?

- A) Philippine Eagle**
- B) Maya
- C) Hornbill
- D) Peacock

13. Which volcano in Albay is famous for its nearly perfect conical shape?

- A) Mount Pinatubo
- B) Mayon Volcano**
- C) Taal Volcano
- D) Mount Kanlaon

14. What is the longest river system in the Philippines?

- A) Pasig River
- B) Pampanga River
- C) Cagayan River**
- D) Agusan River

15. Which major ocean body lies immediately to the east of the Philippines?

- A) South China Sea
- B) Philippine Sea**
- C) Celebes Sea
- D) Sulu Sea

16. Approximately how many islands make up the Philippine archipelago?

- A) 1,200
- B) 5,500
- C) 7,641**
- D) 10,000

17. Who served as the first President of the Philippines?

- A) Manuel L. Quezon
- B) Emilio Aguinaldo**
- C) José P. Laurel
- D) Sergio Osmeña

18. What is the popular Filipino street food consisting of a fertilized developing duck egg?

- A) Kwek-kwek
- B) Isaw
- C) Balut**
- D) Fishball

19. What is the traditional formal embroidered shirt for men in the Philippines?

- A) Baro't Saya
- B) Barong Tagalog**
- C) Filipiniana
- D) Kimona

20. In which province can you find the famous Puerto Princesa Subterranean River National Park?

- A) Cebu
- B) Bohol
- C) Palawan**
- D) Davao

21. What is the largest lake in the Philippines by surface area?

- A) Taal Lake
- B) Lake Lanao
- C) Laguna de Bay**
- D) Lake Mainit

22. In which 1521 battle was Ferdinand Magellan killed by local chieftain Lapulapu?

- A) Battle of Manila
- B) Battle of Mactan**
- C) Battle of Tirad Pass
- D) Battle of Leyte Gulf